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Rear Adm. Daniel "Brian" Hendrickson holds a Bachelor of Science in English from the U.S. Naval Academy and a Master of Business Administration from Harvard University. Additionally, he has completed courses at the Air Command and Staff College and Joint Forces Staff College and was a 2015-2016 Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) Seminar XXI Fellow. Hendrickson received his commission from the United States Naval Academy in May 1987.

After a tour as a division officer aboard the USS Aquila (PHM-4), he transferred to Naval Special Warfare and completed Basic Underwater Demolition/SEAL training in 1990.

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